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1. The Armed Force Department of the Fukien Military District ordered various hsien to select active elements during the winter militia training program for organization into militia basic and cadre units. Each hsien will organize at least one battalion. This measure is designed to consolidate the strength of the Peoples' Armed Force.¹
2. Various divisions of the 27 Army, 10 Army Group,² are engaged in winter training. This training consists of target practice and exercises in landing tactics, and hand-to-hand fighting, etc. The divisions thus engaged are stationed near Hsian (118-48, 25-03), Shuit'ou (118-22, 25-34), and Lienho (118-20, 24-36).
3. At the end of December the Fukien Highway Repair and Construction Project was completed, and the 12 engineering corps which had been engaged in this project were disbanded. The project had been under way for a year under the Fukien Supervision Office of the East China Aid-the-Front Committee.
4. In mid-December 1951 over 1,000 Chinese Communist Army draft horses were shipped from Nanch'ing (118-08, 26-39) to Foochow. They rested at Foochow for two days and continued their journey towards south Fukien on 19 December.

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1. Comment. This is apparently the official name for the Chinese Communist militia.

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2. Comment. According to information available to this office the 2nd Army is subordinate to the 9 Army Group.

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On 17 December 1951, three fighter planes landed at the Chienou (118-19, 27-04) Airfield. They arrived from the direction of Chekiang, remained for two hours, and left going toward Kiangsi.

25X1 Comment. from the same source reported landings of jet planes at Chienou Airfield in January 1952.

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